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The Washington MERRY-GO-ROUND

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NO MILITARY ERROR

Those close up to the war picture are convinced that aside from faulty intelligence, there was no one single military error which brought on the swift and disastrous German breakthrough.

Undoubtedly some intelligence officers will be disciplined or broken for failing to evaluate the concentration of German troops opposite the First army about a week beforehand. But there were other factors contributing to the reverse, none of which can be laid at the doorstep of a single commander. Basically they are factors which only General Eisenhower and General Marshall themselves could properly evaluate and act on.

Here are some of the inside, basic factors involved:

1. General Marshall himself ordered the U. S. offensive which began November 8, and which continued with battering-ram tactics until Von Rundstedt turned the tide against us. Marshall, visiting the battlefront in October, said that during the winter the Germans could mobilize 100 new divisions, so it was wise for us to clear them off the west bank of the Rhine before winter closed in.

2. There was and is no disposition to doubt the wisdom of General Marshall's decision. However, these battering-ram tactics cost men, also tire men out. The American system is to keep divisions on the front line, bringing up fresh men only for replacements. Thus the divisions now at the front have been fighting steadily since the landing in Normandy last June—with, of course, a lot of men coming up as replacements.

Germans Rested Troops.

3. This is considered an excellent system and gets results. However, the Germans immediately took out their battle troops after Normandy and sent them to rest behind the lines. The Nazi boys and old men we encountered in the Siegfried line made us think the German army was shot to pieces, but it wasn't. The experienced battle troops, now refreshed after a long rest, are taking the offensive against us.

4. The war department itself was responsible for a lot of the favorable news which gave the public a general feeling of overconfidence. One of its most important indications was that some 800,000 German troops were killed or taken prisoners during the clean-up of France, making a sizable hole in the Nazi army. Of these, however, about 400,000 were Russian-Ukrainian labor battalions. Thus the American public had reasons to believe that a large slice of the German army was decimated.

5. Germany's new Royal Tiger tank is superior to ours and we have known it. It is extremely difficult to knock out of commission. However, we thought the war was going to be over soon and that we could finish up the job with the tanks already on hand—of which we had tremendous quantities. More recently, however, we have started building a big tank which can equal or better the Royal Tiger.

Robots Beat Airplanes.

6. Robot bombs and rocket bombs can fly in any weather whereas airplanes can't. Also they don't require men. Thus the Germans have been able to bomb us from the air—by robots and rockets—while because of bad weather we couldn't bomb them. The Nazis lay out a square of territory in and behind our lines, then systematically pepper it with rocket bombs. They can aim them well enough to hit within certain areas.

7. The German system is to attack suddenly with tremendous force and heavy armor in one small area; they concentrated hundreds of tanks in their first attack. Once they broke through, they spread out. Also the Nazis had little to lose.

8. However, it remains a fact that we had advance information of great Nazi activity for about a week before the attack came, though apparently we sized it up as preparation for retreat rather than attack.

Note — Gen. Courtney Hodges, against whose First army the blow was launched, is regarded as an average American general. He was not able to make the grade at West Point, but immediately enlisted in the army and has worked his way up. He was a major in command of infantry in the last war, one rank higher than Marshall, who was then a captain, and has commanded infantry all his career since, having risen to be chief of infantry shortly before we entered the war.

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UNDER THE DOME

The expansion in the tire industry, announced by WPB, inspires no cheers from anyone in the tire industry. Labor is unhappy because manpower difficulties rule out Akron as the site for the new plants. Akron is a strong union town, and organization there is fairly simple. . . . The big rubber companies are unhappy because they have no assurance that the new tire plants will be ripped apart after the war. They are afraid of new postwar competition.

Serve "Over There" With The Red Cross

Four hundred workers are needed at once! Men between ages 29-50 with college training or its equivalent are needed as assistant field directors.

Women between ages 25-35 with college training or its equivalent are wanted to serve as recreation workers.

Professionally trained and experienced social workers, ages 25-40 are also urgently needed, as are those between ages 23-35, with three or more years business training to serve as overseas secretaries.

Complete information may be had by calling between the hours of 9 a. m. and 2 p. m. Mrs. E. R. Kennedy, phone Campbell 3892, any Tuesday; Mrs. J. C. Agostinho, 3334, any Wednesday, or Mrs. R. H. Hyde any Thursday.

The American Red Cross urges every citizen to support this effort. "If you are unable to qualify for one of the positions, try to think of some one who can and pass this information on to that person."

Cut out this notice and keep for further reference. Give this subject 'word of mouth' publicity. Everoyne can help," says the Red Cross publicity bureau.

Corp. M. Nichols Given Army Medal

The Army Good Conduct Medal has been awarded to Corp. Mervyn O. Nicholls of Campbell, at an advanced air base in Italy, by his Unit Commander for "exemplary behavior, outstanding fidelity and efficiency, excellent performance, and keen sense of duty." Nicholls is a member of the 350th AAF fighter group and has been overseas 24 months. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Nicholls of Campbell.

St. Lucys Observes 8th Anniversary

On January 5th, St. Lucy's club celebrated their 8th anniversary party combined with the regular monthly meeting.

Mrs. Anna Fields, president of the club, presented a lovely birthday cake, with the conventional candles. Several new members were introduced. Group singing was featured for the afternoon. Refreshments were served by Mesdames Olivia Miranda and Nellie Carvelho.

194[illegible] Dates Given For Blood Donors

Campbell's new blood donor dates for 1945 are the 1st and 4th Tuesdays of each month: January 9-23, February 13-27, March 13-27, April 10-24, May 8-22, June 12-26.

Cars leave Campbell 10 minutes of 10 and are back by 12. If you need transportation to Campbell, and after donating to return home, call Campbell 3402.

Pfc. Donald Rice, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Rice was awarded a bronze star for action at Brest, but has not written his parents for just what the award was given. He is with a tank destroyer outfit of the 9th army in Germany.

OUR DEMOCRACY——by Mat
HOME AND FAMILY
"THE SECURITY AND ELEVATION OF THE FAMILY AND OF FAMILY LIFE ARE THE PRIME OBJECTS OF CIVILIZATION AND THE ULTIMATE ENDS OF ALL INDUSTRY AND TRADE." —CHARLES W. ELIOT
EVER SINCE THE FIRST SETTLERS BUILT THEIR CABINS, STORED THEIR FOOD AND FUEL, IT'S BEEN TYPICAL OF THE NEW WORLD TO REGARD THE SECURITY AND ELEVATION OF THE FAMILY AS PRIME OBJECTS.
THAT'S ONE BIG REASON WHY OUR DEMOCRACY IS WHAT IT IS TODAY— WHY SO MANY OF US OWN OUR HOMES, HAVE MONEY PUT ASIDE IN WAR BONDS AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, FAMILY SECURITY IN LIFE INSURANCE— WHY OUR COUNTRY IS THE FINEST IN THE WORLD.
—HEART OF OUR CIVILIZATION.

Grammar School P.-T. A. Meets

A recent meeting of the Campbell Grammar P.T.A. unit was held in the school auditorium with Mrs. Walter Williams presiding. The program opened with a pledge of allegiance and singing of America, led by Mrs. C. P. Klassen. Minutes of the last meting and of the executive board meeting were read by the secretary, Mrs. F. B. Fossum.

Mrs. Williams announced that members of the Life Membership committe are Mrs. W. F. Grattan, chairman; Mrs. Klassen, Miss Dorothy Merriman, and Supt. of the school Mr. William C. Henley. The delegates nominated to attend the El Paradiso Council meeting to be held at the Y.W.C.A. at 10 a.m., Friday, January 12, were Mrs. J. V. Palmisano, and alternate delegate Mrs. LBen Howard.

Mr. Henley gave a report on the operetta presented by the students, and introduced a new teacher, Miss Margaret McDiarmid, who teaches low first grade. Mrs. Williams introduced the speaker of the day Mrs. J. W. Knowles, who is president of the El Paradiso Council, member of the Campbell Grammar unit for 25 years, and also an active member of the local Youth Council. Mrs. Knowles gave a most interesting talk on "Juvenile Protection", closing with a report on the past activities of the Youth Center, and plans for the future.

Members adjourned to the cafeteria for refreshments served by the seventh grade hostesses. Room count prize was awarded to Mrs. Vivian Becker's home economics class.

The executive board meeting preceded the regular meeting.

Alvin Long Speaks At Kiwanis Club

Alvin Long of San Jose in a friendly ceremony installed the new corps of officers of the Campbell Kiwanis club at Tuesdays meeting.

He followed the installation with a very instructive and interesting review of Kiwanis objectives. He dwelt at some length on his personal observations over many years of Kiwanis activity, and his suggestions were well received and applauded.

The attendance was high, with Jos. McKinnon a visitor. Appropriate songs were sung for the retiring president, Herbert Shadle, and for the newly installed president, C. P. Klassen.

Next week the club will hear Dr. Walter D. Kallenbach (America's number one blind man), and President Klassen will present the speaker.

Cpl. Harvey Wood In Thick of Battle

The 397th Infantry Regiment of the 100th (Century) Division, of which Cpl. Harvey R. Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wood of Campbell is a member, is one of the newest units fighting on the U.S. 7th Army front in Eastern France—but its members have the satisfaction of knowing they played an important part in the "squeeze play" so thoroughly applied to the German 19th Army.

While French troops spearheaded drives through the Saverne Pass in the north and Belfort Gap in the south, both routes leading to Strasbourg and the Rhine, the principal part of the 7th Army fought relentlessly against the thousands of Nazis caught in the middle. With the French holding the enemy in on the sides, the 397th—and other units of the 7th Army—drove piston-like against the middle.

The 397th began its push, and its baptism of fire, in the dense forests of the Vosges Mountains in the vicinity of Baccarat. The fighting conditions were as tough as any that any troops faced along the extended Sixth Army Group front—the Group consisting of the American 7th and the French 1st Armies.

Last Rites Held for Eugene Fletcher

Funeral rites were held Monday in San Jose for Eugene Fletcher who passed away January 5 in O'Connor sanitarium. Interment was in Oak Hill Memorial Park.

Deceased was a native of Peotone, Illinois, past 70 years of age, and a former resident of Campbell, living at the corner of North Central avenue and Minna streets.

He was employed at the Winchester Hatcheries on Neal avenue.

Besides his wife, Annie he leaves four children Mrs. Frances Oeser, and Miss Ethel Fletcher of San Jose, Captain Philip N. Fletcher, U.S. Army Hospital in Honolulu and Homer E. Fletcher of Oakland.

Varsity Wins from Bellarmine 22-17

Campbell varsity quintet scored another victory Tuesday afternoon when they defeated Bellarmine 22-17 in the local gym.

It was a close battle but Coach Walter Hill's team led thruout the game, ending with a five point victory.

Scoring for Campbell were Kosich with 5 points; Meyer, 3; Wilson 13; and Steele, 1.

The 130's were out-played by their rivals 19-12, the points made were Jeffers, 4; Irwin, 1; Keesling,2; Grim, 4; Ostrada, 1.

Charity Lodge Installs Officers

Charity Lodge No. 362 F. & A. M. held open installation of officers Saturday night, with Nels H. Johnson Inspector of the 53rd Masonic district officiating, and Past Master W. H. Van Dyke the Master of Ceremonies.

An entertainment program including solos by Marjorie Martin, accompanied by Frances Duncan, a flute solo by W. Ray Williams, and a reading by Roland R. Williams was presented, and after the installation dance music was provided by John McDonald's orchestra.

Officers installed were Walter W. Williams, Master; James M. Arnold, Senior Warden; John P. Duncan, Junior Warden; Roy G. Archibald, P.M., Treasurer; T. Arthur Robinson, P. M., Secretary Mark S. Stocker, P.M., Chaplain; G. Allen Schuyler, P.M., Marshall; A. C. Currie, Senior Deacon; Klaude Block, Junior Deacon; Raymond W. Martin, Senior Steward; Raymond De Selle, Junior Steward; George E. Hartwell, P.M., Tyler; and Walter I. Merrill P.M., Organist.

Ira Y. Rice, Jr., evangelist of San Francisco, is now conducting a series of gospel meetings at the Church of Christ, library auditorium, with record attendance. All are invited to these services.

Woman's Club In First Meet Of New Year

The Country Woman's club held its first meeting of 1945 on Monday, Jan. 8, with Mrs. Carl Field presiding. Mrs. Eva Grattan led the patriotic song and pledge of allegiance with Mrs. David Rutherford at the piano.

The club voted to sponsor a "Horizon club" for girls of high school age. Mrs. Mary Shank Poor and Mrs. Helen Parker are to be the directors.

The business session was followed by Red Cross work under th esupervision of the chairman, Mrs. E. L. Farnham and her committee, Mrs. Lavinia Grattan and Mrs. Roy Magnuson. It is very inspiring to see this large group of women working so diligently on this vital project.

Next regular meeting will be held on Jan. 15. Miss Marian B. Werner, librarian at Peter Burnett Junior High school will be the guest speaker, and the topic chosen, "Negroes in America, Progress and Problems." Committee in charge will be Mrs. E. C. Price, chairman, and Mesdames Monica Parr, Ida Price, Arno Doerr, and Miss Helen Stray.

Special board meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Carl Field, 95 North Second street, on Monday, Jan. 15 at 1:15 p. m. All board members are urged to attend.

Lt. Mark Kennedy Gets Air Medal

Second Lt. Mark E. Kennedy Jr., bombardier in a B-29 Liberator group, has been awarded the Air Medal with a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy.

Before entering the Army, he attended the University of Santa Clara. He is a graduate and former class president of San Jose high school, class of '41. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Kennedy, live on Cherry avenue in San Jose, but both are well known to many Campbell friends as both lived here before their marriage.

Young Kennedy is a grandson of Mrs. Ella G. Kennedy and nephew of the Misses Florence and Beth Kennedy and Russel Kennedy all of Campbell.

To be with Marines

Marine Private First Class Raymond Y. Sykes, 20, son of Mrs. Eliria V. Segovia of Campbell, has been gratuated from the infantry school at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside. He is now awaiting assignment to a Marine unit.

Private First Class Sykes, a veteran of overseas duty for eighteen months at Pearl Harbor, New Hebrides, and New Zealand, attended the Campbell high school where he was a track letterman.

Pvt. Bill Wrightsman, son of Mrs. Augusta M. Dixon of Campbell, has been reported by the war department as wounded in action in the Mediterranean area.

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CONVENTION BAN IN '45

A great American institution is to pass out of the picture, at least during 1945. The Offices of War Mobilization and Defense Transportation will announce that all national conventions will be banned for that period. The reason, of course, is to ease the pressure on our transportation system and make more space available for the movement of troops and supplies which are essential to the war effort.

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INTELLIGENT PLANNING

Some intelligent postwar planning is being done in Chicago. Aware that race relations may become strained in the difficult adjustment period following hostilities, an information clearing house has been set up there to assist all communities in working out their race relation problems. It is known as the American Council on Race Relations. While the Council's activities will be concerned chiefly with the Negroes, it will also operate in the interest of all minority groups. Remembering the wave of intolerance and persecution which followed the last war, intelligent citizens are seeking to prevent a repetition of such hysteria which the emotional strain of war sometimes seems to cause. In the peacetime years ahead racial disunity, which unthinking or malicious persons would foment, must not be allowed. All races and creeds must stand together in a united front if this Nation is to win its way back to a firm peacetime footing.

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THE HARD WAY

Nearly half a century ago Theodore Roosevelt declared, "I wish to preach not the doctrine of ignoble ease, but the doctrine of the strenuous life, the life of toil and effort...."

These are strong words. Few of us like to think of life as a lot of toil and "effort", although most of us feel that it is too much so already.

But there is a challenge to us in this statement. Even if we are giving much "toil and effort" to physical work, the question is, are we working hard mentally—keeping alert and self-reliant?

In the past twelve years, many laws have been enacted which give the Government more control over our daily lives than the founding fathers ever dreamed of. The war has increased and extended this control.

We do not object to those measures which are necessary to aid the war effort, and we have come to accept some of the pre-war legislation as a trend of the times.

But we must watch that we do not allow ourselves to form the habit of depending on the Government to solve our problems and meet our needs. What is not generally realized is that there are officials in the Nation's capital who are anxious to socialize everything, to set up a government under which initiative and private business enterprise would be virtually non-existant.

When this war is over, some of the existing controls will have to be maintained for a time. But let us not permit, under any guise, the perpetuation of Government interference and dictation in our personal lives or business affairs.

Standing on our own feet involves "toil and effort". It's the "hard way". But it is one sure way to keep democracy alive.

"TORRID TWENTIES" AGAIN?

The political convulsions which some of the liberated European countries are now experiencing are not unusual in the wake of war.

After World War I, we Americans did a good deal of convulsing ourselves. Those who remember the "torrid twenties" need not be reminded of the violence of gang warfare, the revival of the Ku Klux Klan, and the general hysteria expressed throughout the Nation in one form or another.

Now there are fears that when this war is over, another wave of violence, intolerance and general moral let down will sweep the Nation. This need not be if Americans refuse to permit it. Only when we are indifferent to crime and persecution can such things exist on a large scale.

Police departments in American cities will need the help of all law-abiding citizens to keep crime at a minimum. Organizations which seek to create racial good will must have the cooperation of all Americans so that abuse of minorities will not again run rampant.

This war has been a tremendous test for America. But the days of peace will be even more trying. We must prove that we can keep our heads cool and our senses clear after, as well as during, the war.

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AIRMOBILE?

The Los Angeles inventor who is working on an "airmobile" or gasolineless automobile will really "have something" if he succeeds in his project.

Unlike the conventional car of today it has no starter, no spark plug, clutch, carburetor, fan or gear box. It is virtually silent in operation and creates neither odor nor smoke. Part of the speed and power of the engine is developed from air pressure.

The automobile, however, is not an "airmobile" in the strict sense of the word since liquid butane is used to develop air pressure. The inventor claims he can get 60 miles to each gallon of butane. He receives hundreds of letters daily from individuals who are interested in his work, and at least one big industrialist is closely following the progress of the machine.

It is understandable why any invention which threatens to revolutionize the automobile world would attract attention. More passenger miles are traveled by automobile and bus, even in these days of tire and gas scarcities, than any other means of transportation.

If the "airmobile" really runs, the inventor can write his own ticket.

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BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

In observing Benjamin Franklin's birthday on January 17—the 239th anniversary—the world will recall that this great American was at various times a printer, journalist, scientist, inventor, philosopher, philanthropist, statesman, diplomat and author.

But in addition to all these achievements his ideas on thrift won him further recognition. In Franklin's day, the word "billions" was undreamed of in connection with money. And we imagine that even a million dollars was spoken of in awed tones.

But the thrift which he preached is still as appropriate in our time as it was in his. In fact, the very abundance of money now in American pocketbooks—it exceeds 25 billion—makes thrift all the more necessary. To put it the other way around, careless spending will result in inflated prices and in endangering our whole monetary system.

So, in remembering the birthday of the famous Philadelphian, let us also remember the homely virtue of thrift by investing more in War Bonds, and building up our bank savings accounts. This will not only help win the war, but preserve our standard of living here at home which our boys in the armed forces are fighting to protect.

Kathleen Norris Says:

Before You Write to Him—Think

Bell Syndicate.—WNU Features.

He also married an English girl, whose feet, after five years of war privations, were probably solidly on the ground.

By KATHLEEN NORRIS

"MY FOLKS write me so much about trouble that I'll be dargonned if I want to go home again," writes Private Tom Willoughby, from a post somewhere in northern England. "It's got so bad," the letter goes on, "that I kind of hate to open the letters! My mother, my father, my sisters, all write me as if they'd be glad to change places with me. I wish they could, for a few weeks. I was in the hospital four weeks, I didn't write them anything about that until I was almost well. I've been over German towns in a bomber seventeen times. I've been wet and cold and scared and hungry more than once, and homesick all the time. But my letters aren't half as depressing as theirs are.

"It's all rising prices and shortages and manpower scarcity and how dull the town is in wartime, with no men to dance with and no gas to go anywhere. They tell me that the fellows who aren't in the service are getting a long head start on me in business, and that Roger and Bat have just bought darling homes out in the new development and that both their wives are having babies. Ma writes me about her arthritis, and Dad about his business troubles; the girls don't write often, but when they do it's one long yelp about not having anything to do, nor any fun, and wishing the rotten old war was over! My sisters are 17 and 15; I am 19.

"You don't know how it makes us feel, out here, to know that there's so much trouble at home. Every fellow I know wants to get home, dreams of baked beans and Main street, the local newspaper and the familiar faces. To have the lucky ones, who can stay there, knocking it all the time, is about the limit! Sometimes I think I'll make a fresh start on my own, when I get home, and live in some other place. I know all news can't be good, but I should think they could pick out enough that was decent to sort of buck us up over here."

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Tom, I think so too. And I know many mothers and wives who do manage to keep their letters cheerful and inspiring. How eagerly and with what passionate delight those letters are received by our lonely, far-away boys, only those boys know. Your mother and father and sisters not only should select for you whatever pleasant news there is, but they should do something to build it up.

I mean they should definitely plan something for your homecoming that will mean a real welcome for you. One mother who wrote me had taken the room over the family garage and turned it into a study for her son, where he can some day ask his friends to drop in for talking and smoking; his own especial part of the house not to be used by anyone else. Before he went away he shared a room with a younger brother.

Another mother and father and sister have bought three small farms, one each for their absent boys. Still another devoted family is going to present their boy when he comes home with a substantial bank account, enough to give him a three-years-start on the career he has always dreamed of as an architect. When one of our boys came home suffering from a nervous complaint a few months ago, his parents sent him, his brother, a hound dog and two horses up into the Sierras for a long summer. He went thin and trembling and nervous, he came home last week as hard as iron, and brown as an Indian. He already has a good job.

"All that costs money," protest the whining voices. Of course it costs money! But surely saving for the boy's return, and if possible a definite plan for that return, is the least we can do. A thousand dollars, five hundred—even one hundred dollars ought to be awaiting him, to save his pride, to give him time to look about him for his work in the new world.

Try to cheer him up....

LETTERS FROM HOME

Fighting men have enough to endure without having to read about the "hardships" back home. They depend a great deal on letters from home to keep up their morale. When these letters are merely a constant recital of complaints about shortages and rationing, difficulties of travel, and the scarcity of interesting young men, they may be worse than no letters at all.

To the man at the front, tired and homesick, and living in constant peril, these sort of letters are just one more burden. He would be better off without them.

Three Times a Day!

An engaged girl, Dean Davis, writes me the other side of the picture. She is so deeply in love that she writes her Georgie two and three times a day. Georgie is out somewhere in the Phillipines.

Three times a day, I think, is too much. Especially as Georgie probably gets these letters in bunches of 30 or 40. Glad as he is to know that he is so constantly in your thoughts, there is a certain amount of boredom involved in opening 30 or 40 letters that all say the same thing. Three times a week is better than three times a day, and a good healthy inclusion of clippings from the newspaper and from magazines will give him more pleasure than too much love making. One girl of whom I heard wrote such incessant and poetical letters to her young man that he answered by asking her not to expect him to match quotations from Coventry Patmore or to tell her which of Millay's poems he liked best. **He also married an English girl, whose feet, after five years of war privations, were probably solidly on the ground.**

What we all have to do is to try to put ourselves in the places of these lonely, homesick, hard-pressed boys, and contribute what we can to their comfort, with their needs, rather than our own, in view.

Bathtub Made of China

The plumbing industry announces that a china bathtub will be on the market soon. The main problem was to find a combination of non-critical ceramic material which could resist sudden changes from hot to cold water. The result is a bathtub that looks like fine china, is easy to clean, and is resistant to acids and scratches. It is flat on the bottom, and not nearly so deep as the familiar tub. Extensive research preceded the design that was finally adopted.

Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

To a small group in Hollywood the year 1945 means the beginning of fame; for movieland, already jammed with stars, is planning to feature some new names in big lights during the coming year.

There will be many surprises not in the cards at present, but from where I sit on the side lines these are the stars you'll hear from in a big way during the coming year:

Bill Eythe, at 20th, landed smack in the lap of Lady Luck. This means that the lad from Mars, Pa., unknown to movies two years ago, will be right up at the top in the cast of characters. Eythe's high

Bill Eythe

Lauren Bacall

pressure personality won him the lead opposite **Tallulah Bankhead** in "Royal Scandal." When **Producer Lubitsch** saw the rushes he said, "Eythe is the greatest star material I've run into in 20 years." So they rushed Eythe into the lead in "Colonel Effingham's Raid." Watch his dust in 1945.

That Uncertain Something

Lauren Bacall, that glamorous menace whose pussy willow face and half-mast eyes are her trademark, is familiar to every magazine reader, although she's appeared in only one picture, "To Have and Have Not," with **Humphrey Bogart.** So what? Warners sent her right back into double harness again with Bogie in "The Big Sleep." She's decorative and provocative.

Quite a different type is Universal's **Ella Raines.** A girl with clean blue eyes and a well washed look. You saw her in "The Invisible Lady" with **Franchot Tone,** and again with **Eddie Bracken** in "The Conquering Hero." But "Tall in the Saddle," with **John Wayne,** really got 'em.

Moody **Gail Russell** is Paramount's ace find of the last year. Dark, mossy soft hair, eyes full of dreams, and a trick of projecting the intangible put Gail Russell into a class by herself. She's valuable, and proved it in "The Uninvited."

Home Town Boy Type

When Metro found **Van Johnson** they hit a rich vein of talent ore. Metro has a second Van Johnson in **Tom Drake,** a dark type with the same direct, homey appeal. He'll make the register ring at the box office.

Faye Emerson has had all along what it takes to make a young star. Already she's been stepped into the lead role in "Happiness," and if she wants to keep on making pictures she's set. Faye has real talent as an actress, but it took a marriage to a Roosevelt to make Warners recognize it.

You might keep your eye also on red-haired **Lucille Bremer,** M-G-M's most promising young dancer. She gets star billing in "Ziegfeld Follies." Then there's Metro's **Gloria De Haven,** hailed by the GI Joe as just what the doctor ordered for a soldier with the blues. Twentieth's **June Haver** has danced her way into star roles after 18 months' experience on the screen.

Of **June Allyson,** another Metro baby, you might say "once seen, never forgotten."

"Destination Tokyo" gave us three boys that hit the popularity target dead center—**James Craig, Bob Hutton,** and **Dane Clark.** Craig has some of the quality that put **Clark Gable** among our fabulous few. Hutton is a sort of composite **Jimmy Stewart** and **Bob Walker,** and Dane Clark is a natural.

Never Too Young

Peggy Ann Garner was the child prodigy of 1944. But **Elizabeth Taylor** will be in 1945. Remember "Lassie Come Home" and "White Cliffs of Dover," and a little girl with black hair and sooty Irish eyes? She played a scene with **Roddy McDowall** that made the big boys sit up and take notice. In "National Velvet" Elizabeth Taylor rides right into your heart. You'll simply love her.

You can shout and scream about the great discoveries of the year, but for my money **Bob Walker** tops 'em all. He has the homey, shy, sweet boyishness of your own son.

The year 1945 should be a lucky and a happy one for these Hollywood stars.

Six Girls Turn the Tables

Six Goldwyn girls had so much confidence in **Allan Dodd,** former collegiate wrestler from Tulsa, Okla., and recently discharged from the army, that they signed him up. He had no agent, nor influence, didn't know where his next job was coming from. Now **Frank Ross** and **Mervyn Leroy** are going to use him in "The Robe," and if he clicks they will add another contract to the girls'. I'm told he's definitely dreamy and strictly swoon stuff and the picture they sent me proves it.

THE BOOK MARK

by marty

"HOW DEAR TO MY HEART" by Emily Kimbrough.

Here is the author of "We Followed Our Hearts To Hollywood" with a volume of recollections of her childhood neatly penned in gay, bright style for your own enjoyment. 'Tis a fact that while reading this book you will mentally go back to your own childhood and you will laugh and then you'll catch your breath with a sharp stab of memory.

There is Mr. Hinkley who drove up Washington street in his buggy every afternoon, with a freezer of fresh homemade ice cream to sell, and the children who waited for him on their front steps with a nickel imbedded in their sticky, sweaty palms.

She tells about her grandfather who had the first automobile in town and how he drove through Mr. Topp's butcher shop window. She collected stray dogs from all over town for pets, and butterflies for a collection, with a homemade net always flying out of the side of the automobile. She does not neglect to mention the time that she bit her teacher, and about the time she saw a skyrocket go through a neighbor's front hall. She made it evident that she thoroughly enjoyed both events.

In her easy, human manner, Miss Kimbrough has produced a book that is her acknowledgement of a debt of gratitude for a happy childhood spent in Muncie, Indiana.

When you have read this book you will owe yourself a debt of gratitude for such a privilege. It is a humorous glance over your shoulder at the way things used to be.

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"People whose souls are made of dawnstuff and starshine may make mistakes, but God will not judge them by these alone."

—Elbert Hubbard.

Paul P. Barbano, 26, Route 1, Box 143, has enrolled in the United States Maritime Service for training as a merchant seaman. He will receive basic training at Avalon, Catalina Island, and upon completion of his training there, will be assigned to duty aboard a merchant vessel.. Under new regulations the United States Maritime Service is now enlisting men between the ages of 17 and 50.

"Il Trovatore" to Be Sung in San Jose January 22

Verdi's immortal opera, "Il Trovatore", one of the finest productions of the San Carlos Opera Company, will be heard in San Jose on Monday evening, January 22, presented by the Denny-Watrous management. The notable cast includes Elda Ercole as Leonora; Marie Powers as Azucena; Lydia Edwards as Inez; Tandy MacKenzie as Manrico; Stephan Ballarini as Count Di Luna; Harold Kravitt as Ferrando; Richard Vivaldi as Ruiz. Nicholas

Lydia Arlova, Primo Ballarina of San Carlos Opera Ballet

Rescigno will conduct the orchestra. Lydia Arlova is prima ballerina of the Opera Ballet.

"The Merry Widow", melodious music by Franz Lehar, operetta of love and laughter in Paris of the turn of the century, plays one performance in San Jose on Sunday evening, January 28. Lovely Nancy Kenyon as the "Widow"; Dan De Paolo of the Louisville Municipal Opera as Prince Danilo; George Lipton, who has sung with the Detroit Civic Opera, the St. Louis Opera and others, as Baron Mazzi; Marion Bradley as Natasha; Flower Hujer as Lola, are a few of the principals. Robert Zeller, a pupil of Koussevitsky, will conduct the orchestra.

Tickets are on sale at the Denny-Watrous box office San Jose auditorium.

Roy G. Archibald was last night installed as commander of San Jose Commandery No. 10, Knights Templar of San Jose.

CAMPBELL METHODIST CHURCH NOTES
DONALD H. BALDWIN, Pastor

9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. Morning Service.
7:30 p. m. Youth Fellowship.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH NOTES
J. H. BENNETT, Pastor

9:45 a.m. Sunday school.
11 a.m. Morning Service.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

"The hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him" (John 4:23) is the Golden Text for the Christian Science Lesson-Sermon on "Sacrament" for Sunday, January 14.

"When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut the door, pray to thy Father in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly," (Matthew 6:6). This verse will be included in the sermon, with the following correlative passage from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The closet typifies the sanctuary of Spirit, the door of which shuts out sinful sense but lets in Truth, Life, and Love," (p. 15).

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ORVILLE S. POTTER, Pastor

9:45 a. m. Sunday school.
6:30 p. m. Young people's hour.
7:30 p. m. Evening Evangelistic service.
7:30 p. m. Wednesday. Midweek prayer service.

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Sunday, Bible school at 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship at 11:00 a. m.
Evening service at 7:30 p. m.
Mid-week service Wednesday evening at 7:45.
Rev. Herbert L. Johnson

CAMP FIRE GIRLS

The Tanda Camp Fire Girls had a very busy holiday season. They attended the Camp Fire branch in San Jose.

On December 28, a Christmas party was held in their club room. Games were played and presents were exchanged. Refreshments were made by the girls. The birthdays of Margaret Robertson and Alberta Paullus were celebrated with birthday cakes made by Joan Sanders and Margaret Cleveland. Winnie Hill was chairman of the party.

At the last meeting new officers were elected. They are; President, Barbara Enochs; vice-president, Joan Sanders; secretary, Mildred Weeks; assistant, Gayle Schrader; treasurer, Alice Enderton; and scribe, Virginia Grattan. Florence Spears is in charge of the club rooms.

Campbell's contingent of the 176 blood donors that visited the center Tuesday included Mrs. A. Bargas, Mrs. J. D. Newton, Mrs. C. T. Burge, Mrs. J. Cabral, Mrs. R. Burnett, Seaman George T. Poor, Mrs. H. Blohm, Mr. E. J. Mallatt, Mrs. Orlane Plessner, Mrs. Doris Scott, Mrs. Grace Newland, Robert Roll, Mrs. R. March. ....

T/5 Chester N. Yerkovich, 32, Route 1, Box 430, Campbell, is now vacationing at the spacious Biltmore Hotel at Santa Barbara, part of the Army Ground and Service Forces Redistribution Station there, following his recent return from 31 months duty overseas. He has served as a truck driver with a replacement headquarters at Australia and New Guinea.

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Bude H. Little, Minister

10 a. m. Bible school.
11 a. m. Worship.
7:00 p. m. Evening Worship.

William Noethig, a past master of Charity Lodge No. 362 F. & A. M., now in Italy has been promoted from Second to First Lieutenant. He reports seeing Capt. Robert Dodge quite frequently. Dodge is the grandson of Mrs. B. O. Curry of Campbell and his parents, Robert Dodge and the former Elva Curry lived in Campbell at one time.

Appian Way Begun 312 B. C.

It is believed that the Appian Way, in Italy, was begun in 312 B. C. by Appius Claudius.

MASONIC NOTICE

Charity Lodge No. 362, F. & A. M., Campbell, Calif. Stated Meetings held on the first Monday of each Month.

G. A. Schpyler, W. M.
T. A. Robinson, Secty.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Morning Light Lodge No. 42 meets every Thursday evening in I.O.O.F. Hall. Sojourning members are cordially invited to attend the lodge meetings.

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Latest Estimate Gives County Pop. As 218,000

Population of Santa Clara county at January 1, 1945, was 218,000, California Taxpayers' association stated today, making its annual estimate of population of California counties.

Population of the county a year ago, the association estimates, was 207,100. The 1940 federal census showed 174,949 people in the county. Since 1940, the county has grown by 43,050 persons or 25 per cent.

Assessed value per person of taxable property in Santa Clara county this year averaged $919 for each of the 218,000 persons estimated to be in the county at January 1, 1945, California Taxpayers' association announced today, making public its study of property valuations per capita in California counties. Total assessed value of property in the county for 1944-45 is $200,241,705.

Gas Ration Books Have New Ruling

Instructions to motorists for endorsing their gasoline ration books with their new 1945 automoblie license numbers have just been announced by the Mileage Rationing Division of the District Office of Price Administration.

On receiving their new license plates, car owners should draw a line lightly through the old license number on the cover of the ration book, and write the new number above it. Care should be taken that the old number is not completely obliterated, OPA emphasized.

The same procedure of crossing out the old number lightly and adding the new one should be followed with the Mileage Rationing Record.

The old license number, written on the face of the gas coupons by the motorist upon receipt of the ration book, should not be changed on the individual coupons, OPA added.

Wacs In Adjutant General's Office Are Promoted

They weren't the kind of packages that came in colorfully decorated wrappings, but four WACS assigned to the Adjutant General's office of Allied Force Headquarters in Italy have received the best of all Yuletide presents.

The presents were promotions and were awarded to the WACS on Christmas morning after the women had completed 16 months of foreign service.

All four WACS, who were members of the same company, entered the Women's Army Corps in 1942 and after serving at various camps in the United States, went overseas in August, 1943. Their first foreign duty was in North Africa and recently they were advanced with their units to Italy.

Among those promoted was Cpl. Felma M. Livacich, 479 Lattimer avenue, Campbell, who was advanced in grade to sergeant.

Sergeant Livacich was a bookeeper before she joined the WAC. Her brother, Andy Livacich, is a member of a Naval Construction Battalion.

Book Review At Cambrian Club

The first meeting of the new year was held Wednesday, January 3, at 2:30 p.m. After the business part of the session, the president, Mrs. Marion Pratt gave an interesting talk, the subject "Surgeon Burma" written by Dr. Gordon Seagrave.

There will be a rummage sale January 11, 12, 13. The place will be 29 West Santa Clara street. Persons wishing to donate for the sale are asked to leave articles at the school auditorium.

Refreshments were served by the second and third grade mothers. Hostesses were Mrs. Selma Nelson and Mrs. Sturdevant.

Small children were cared for by the Camp Fire Girls.

A marriage license has been issued to Frederick Alfred Grass Jr., 21, of Campbell and Vera Grace Vince, 19, of Los Gatos.

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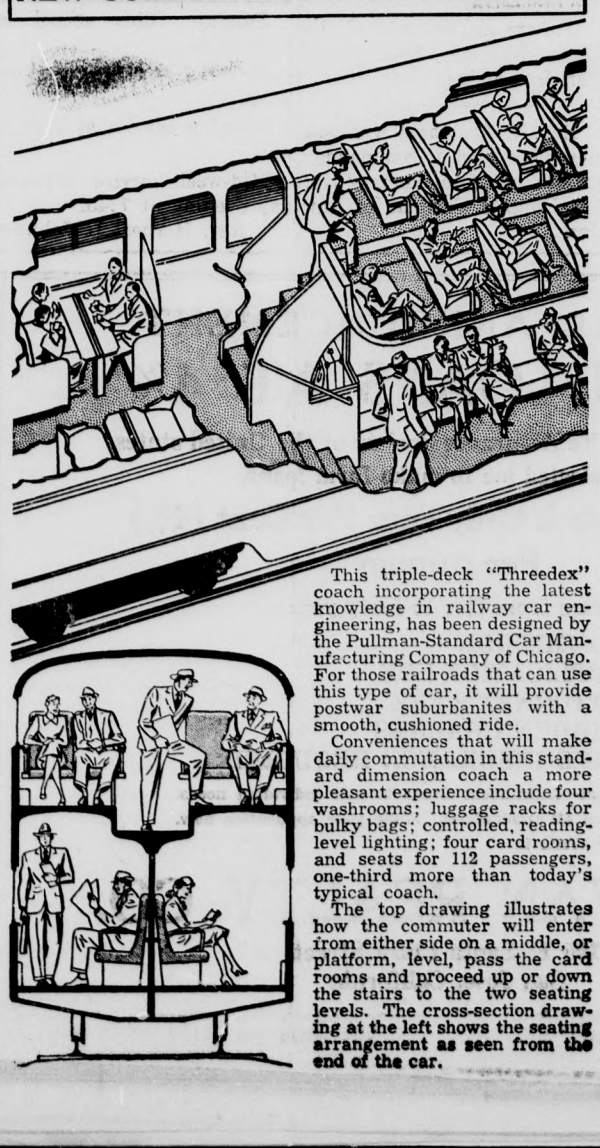

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